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INFO AMCONSUL CAPE TOWN

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CAPE TOWN ALSO FOR EMBASSY

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SUBJECT: WHITE HOUSE FELLOWS

REF: STATE 7278

1. FOREIGN AFFAIRS DEPUTY SEC. VAN DALSEN FOLLOWING CONSULTATIONS WITH SECRETARY FOURIE HAS EXPRESSED STRONG HOPE WHITE HOUSE FELLOWS GROUP WILL VISIT CAPE TOWN. CABINET AND MANY OFFICIALS HAVE MOVED TO CAPE TOWN FOR PARLIAMENTARY SESSION. SAG COULD MOBILIZE MORE EXPERTISE TO MEET WITH GROUP AND WOULD SEEK INCLUDE MINISTER OR MINISTERS. EMBOFF POINTED OUT THAT GROUP'S SCHEDULE PROVIDES ONLY TWO WORKING DAYS IN SOUTH AFRICA, BUT NEVERTHELESS AGREED TO QUERY GROUP ON BASIS ALTERNATIVE SCHEDULES.

2. SHOULD NOTE ALSO THAT ROAD TRAVEL TIMES REQUIRE SOME COMPROMISE IN SEEKING MEET GROUP'S SCHEDULE INTERESTS IN EITHER CASE, EG. VISIT TO A HOMELAND CAPITAL TO MEET CHIEF MINISTER. IN THIS CONNECTION, WE HOPE ONE OR MORE CHIEF

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MINISTERS FROM THIS AREA WILL BY ABLE ACCEPT CONSUL GENERAL'S

INVITATION TO MEET WITH GROUP. TIMING FOR PROGRAM SUGGESTED
EITHER A OR B WILL BE TIGHT AND WILL LEAVE VIRTUALLY NO
FREE TIME AND GROUP MAY WISH INDICATE FURTHER PRIORITIES.

3. (A) IF CAPE TOWN VISIT ELECTED, WE TENTATIVELY PLAN TO
HOTEL GROUP IN JOHANNESBURG BRINGING THEM TO PRETORIA (ONE
HOUR DRIVING TIME) THURSDAY FOR PRETORIA EMBASSY BRIEFING
(OIC/ECON COUNSELOR, PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICER AND DEFENSE
ATTACHE) AND VISIT CHRYSLER PLANT NEAR PRETORIA IN MORNING
(30 MINUTES EACH WAY) AND VISIT TO HAMMANSKRWVAL/BABALEGI
HOMELAND INDUSTRIAL GROWTH POINT THIRTY MILES NORTH OF
PRETORIA IN AFTERNOON (ONE HOUR DRIVING EACH WAY PLUS ONE
HOUR RETURN TO JOHANNESBURG). CONSUL GENERAL IN JOHANNES-
BURG WOULD HOST BUFFET RECEPTION IN EVENING THURSDAY SEEKING
INCLUDE ONE OR MORE OF THE HOMELANDS' CHIEF MINISTERS AS
WELL AS CROSS SECTION AFRICAN AND WHITE COMMUNITY IN
JOHANNESBURG AREA. (BUFFET MIGHT BE SHIFTED TO SATURDAY
NOON TO AFFORD OPPORTUNITY MEET WITH GROUP ORGANIZED BY
INSTITUTE RACE RELATIONS THURSDAY EVENING.

(B) CAPE TOWN TRAVEL WOULD INVOLVE AIRPORT DEPARTURE AT
0800 (LEAVING HOTEL AT 0645) MORNING FRIDAY FEB. 15
ARRIVING AIRPORT 0955 AND DOWNTOWN AT 1030. DAY WOULD
INVOLVE MEETING WITH SAG OFFICIALS AND OPPORTUNITY MEET
AMBASSADOR, DCM AND EMBASSY POLITICAL OFFICERS, WHO
RESIDENT CAPE TOWN DURING THIS PERIOD. VAN DALSEN AT
DFA MENTIONED POSSIBILITY LUNCHEON AT PARLIAMENT.

(C) RETURN FROM CAPE TOWN COULD BE EITHER FRIDAY EVENING
DEPARTING EITHER 1930 OR 2015 (ARRIVING 2015 OR 2155) OR
SATURDAY MORNING AT 0815, ARRIVING JOHANNESBURG 0955. WOULD
SEEK ARRANGE VISIT SOWETO FOR SATURDAY MORNING.

(D) WE HAVE MADE PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION REGARDING FLIGHTS
AND AVAILABILITY OF SEATS. SHOULD CAUTION THAT WITH OIL
CRISIS CUT BACK ON FLIGHTS, EARLIEST CONFIRMATIONS POSSIBLE
ARE INDICATED.

4. IF DECISION IS TO LIMIT VISIT TO JOHANNESBURG/PRETORIA
AREA, WOULD PLAN TO HOTEL GROUP IN BURGER PARK IN PRETORIA
WITH EMBASSY BRIEFING AND CHRYSLER PLANT VISIT IN MORNING
THURSDAY WITH AFTERNOON DEVOTED SEMINAR TYPE MEETING AT
DFA (CHAIRMAN BY DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR AFRICA, RAY KILLEN)
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AND VARIOUS SECTION HEADS AVAILABLE FOR QUESTION AND ANSWER
PERIOD. SIMILAR SESSION AT OTHER DEPT. (EG. BANTU AFFAIRS)
POSSIBLE SAME AFTERNOON. OIC WOULD HOST RECEPTION IN PRETORIA.
ON FRIDAY, GROUP WOULD VISIT HAMMANSKRAAL/BABALEGI
HOMELAND GROWTH POINT IN MORNING AND LUNCH AT AIRPORT HOLIDAY
INN EN ROUTE TO SOWETO IN AFTERNOON. CONSUL GENERAL
WOULD SEEK ARRANGE INSTITUTE RACE RELATIONS GROUP MEETING
OR AFFAIR INCLUDING HOMELAND CHIEF MINISTER IN

EVENING. LATTER AFFAIR MIGHT SLIP T NOON SATURDAY
DEPENDING AVAILABILITY PERSONALITIES. ANOTHER POSSIBLE
VARIATION WOULD BE INSTITUTE RACE RELATIONS SESSION IN
AFTERNOON WITH POSSIB BITY SOWETO ON SATURDAY.

5. PLEASE ADVISE SOON AS POSSIBLE WHETHER GROUP DECIDE
MAKE CAPE TOWN TRIP AS PROPOSED BY DFA AND ANY COMMENTS
REGARDING TENTATIVE SCHEDULING PLANS IN ORDER THAT WE MAY
PROCEED WITH FIRM ARRANGEMENTS. ROUND TRIP AIR FARE TO
CAPE TOWN IS R 94.00 (US DOLLARS 141) PER PERSON. DOES
GROUP HAVE REPRESENTATION FUNDS? HURD

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